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TAGS: OAS SELA EGEN VE
SUBJECT: OAS ANNUAL SCCN MEETING APRIL 25-29

REF: (A) STATE 90525 (B) CARACAS 3268

1. DURING MEETING WITH FOREIGN TRADE INSTITUTE (ICE)
OFFICIAL APRIL 10, EMBOFF WAS TOLD THAT FORTHCOMING
OAS MEETING RECEIVED ATTENTION DURING SELA CONFERENCE
IN CARACAS LAST WEEK. WE WERE TOLD THAT USDEL COULD
EXPECT A SPECIAL BLAST FROM LATINOS ON SUGAR SURCHARGE
AND TIN DISPOSAL POLICIES.

2. APPARENTLY, DURING CLOSED SESSION OF SELA MINISTERIAL,
BOLIVIAN DEPUTY MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND COORDINATION
ALBERTO VALDEZ L. MADE IMPASSIONED PLEA FOR SUPPORT OF LATIN
GOVERNMENTS IN ITS EFFORTS TO HALT US DISPOSAL OF TIN
FROM STRATEGIC STOCKPILE. IN SUMMARY, VALDEZ REPORTEDLY DESCRIBED
BOLIVIA AS IMPOVERISHED COUNTRY WITH ONLY ONE MAJOR SOURCE OF
INCOME--THE SALE OF TIN ABROAD. ANNOUNCED U.S. STOCKPILE DISPOSALS
OF THIS COMMODITY COULD DISRUPT INTERNATIONAL TIN MARKET,
THEREBY ENDANGERING BOLIVIA'S ECONOMIC WELL BEING. ISSUE BECAME
ONE OF THIRD WORLD SOLIDARITY AND ALL PARTICIPANTS IN SELA PLEDGED
SUPPORT FOR BOLIVIAN POSITION. GOV OFFICIAL INDICATED THAT USDEL
WOULD FACE SOLID LATIN BLOC ON THIS ISSUE DURING OAS MEETING.

3. IN ADDITION, SUBJECT OF U.S. SUGAR POLICY ALSO WAS DISCUSSED
AT SELA CONFERENCE. U.S. POLICY OF ESTABLISHING
SPECIAL SURCHARGE ON IMPORTED SUGAR TO PROTECT DOMESTIC
PRODUCERS REPORTEDLY DENOUNCED BY SUGAR EXPORTERS. AGAIN,
WE UNDERSTAND THAT ISSUE DEVELOPED THIRD WORLD OVERTONES
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WITH U.S. BEING ACCUSED OF TRYING TO RESTRICT ACCESS OF
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO U.S. MARKET WHILE PREACHING TRADE
LIBERALIZATION IN MULTILATERAL FORA.

4. GOV OFFICIALS WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS
RESUMPTION OF COMMON FUND CONFERENCE AND MTN WITH DAS ARELLANO
AND BOSWORTH. WHILE NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON WHO WILL ATTEND
SUBJECT OAS MEETING, WE ARE ASSURED GOV WILL BE REPRESENTED AT
SUITABLE LEVEL, POSSIBLY BY ICE PRESIDENT REINALDO FIGUEREDO.
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